In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 6, 12, 15, 21, 24, 29, 40, and 47-49. Please amend claims 1, 2, 8, 14, 23, and 35. The claims are as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising a transmitting computer comprising:

at least one processor;

a memory coupled to the at least one processor;

a prioritized graphics file residing in the memory, the prioritized graphics file defining higher priority image transmission portions and lower priority image transmission portions that have been selected and assigned priorities such that when the prioritized graphics file is transferred across a network, the higher priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file are transmitted before the lower priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file, and

a simulation browser residing in the memory, the simulation browser simulating transmission and reception of the prioritized graphics file, the simulation browser adding a delay between the image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file.

2. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising a receiving computer receiving the image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file, the receiving computer comprising an image interpreter and an image viewer residing on the receiving computer, the image interpreter translating the received image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file into image data, such that the image viewer can display the higher priority image

transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file before displaying the lower priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising an image interpreter, the image interpreter saving the prioritized graphics file in a prioritized graphics file format.

5. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 4 wherein the prioritized graphics file format comprises joint picture experts group format, graphics interchange format, or bitmap format.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:

a transmitting computer comprising:

a) at least one processor;

b) a memory coupled to the at least one processor;

c) a prioritized graphics file residing in the memory, the prioritized graphics file defining higher priority image transmission portions and lower priority image transmission portions that have been selected and assigned priorities such that when the prioritized graphics

file is transferred across a network, the higher priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file are transmitted before the lower priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file;

d) a simulation browser residing in the memory, the simulation browser simulating transmission and reception of the prioritized graphics file, the simulation browser adding a delay between the image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file; and

a receiving computer receiving the prioritized graphics file as received data from the transmitting computer, the receiving computer including:

a) at least one processor;

b) a memory coupled to the at least one processor;

c) an image viewer residing in the memory;

d) an image interpreter residing in the memory and cooperating with the image viewer to allow the image viewer to display received images, the image viewer translating the received data into image data to allow the image viewer to display the image data corresponding to the higher priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file before displaying the image data corresponding to the lower priority image transmission portions of the prioritized graphics file.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 8 wherein the transmitting computer further comprises an image interpreter, the image interpreter saving the prioritized graphics file in a

prioritized graphics file format.

11. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the prioritized graphics file format comprises joint picture experts group format, graphics interchange format, or bitmap format.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) A program product comprising:

an image interpreter for creating a prioritized transmission graphics file, the prioritized transmission graphics file defining higher priority image transmission portions and lower priority image transmission portions that have been selected and assigned priorities such that when the prioritized transmission graphics file is transferred across a network, the higher priority image transmission portions of the prioritized transmission graphics file are transmitted before the lower priority image transmission portions of the prioritized transmission graphics file;

a simulation browser for simulating transmission and reception of the prioritized transmission graphics file, the simulation browser adding a delay between the image transmission portions of the prioritized transmission graphics file; and

recordable type media bearing the image interpreter and the simulation browser.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 14 wherein the image interpreter can translate received image reception portions of a prioritized reception graphics file into image data such that an image viewer can display the higher priority image reception portions of the prioritized reception graphics file before displaying the lower priority image reception portions of the prioritized reception graphics file.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 14 wherein the image interpreter can save the prioritized transmission graphics file in a prioritized transmission graphics file format.

20. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 19 wherein the prioritized transmission graphics file format comprises joint picture experts group format, graphics interchange format, or bitmap format.

21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently amended) A program product comprising:

an image interpreter for creating a prioritized transmission graphics file, the prioritized transmission graphics file defining higher priority image transmission portions and lower priority image transmission portions that have been selected and assigned priorities such that when the prioritized transmission graphics file is transferred across a network, the higher priority image transmission portions of the prioritized transmission graphics file are transmitted before the lower priority image transmission portions of the prioritized transmission graphics file, the image interpreter also for translating received image reception portions of a prioritized reception graphics file into image data such that an image viewer can display the higher priority image reception portions of the prioritized reception graphics file before displaying the lower priority image reception portions of the prioritized reception graphics file;

a simulation browser for simulating transmission and reception of the prioritized transmission graphics file, the simulation browser adding a delay between the image transmission portions of the prioritized transmission graphics file; and

recordable type media bearing the image interpreter and the simulation browser.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Canceled)

26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 23 wherein image interpreter can save the prioritized transmission graphics file in a prioritized transmission graphics file format.

28. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 27 wherein the prioritized transmission graphics file format comprises joint picture experts group format, graphics interchange format, or bitmap format.

29. (Canceled)

30. (Canceled)

31-34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently amended) A method for transmitting a graphics file from a transmitting computer and receiving the graphics file on a receiving computer, the method comprising the steps of:

a) performing the following steps on the transmitting computer:

i) selecting at least one image transmission portion of the graphics file;

ii) assigning a priority to the selected at least one image transmission portion to create a prioritized graphics file; and

iii) transmitting the prioritized graphics file across a network such that higher priority image transmission portions are transmitted before lower priority image transmission portions;

b) performing the following steps on the receiving computer:

i) receiving a first image transmission portion of the selected at least one image transmission portion of the prioritized graphics file;

ii) translating the first image transmission portion ~~of the prioritized graphics file~~ into image data;

iii) determining the location of the first image transmission portion ~~of the prioritized graphics file~~; and

iv) transferring the image data and the location to an image viewer such that the image viewer can display the first image transmission portion ~~of the prioritized graphics file~~ at the location,

wherein the step of transmitting the prioritized graphics file across a network such that higher priority image transmission portions are transmitted before lower priority image transmission portions further comprises the following steps:

A) simulating transmission and reception of [[an]] the first image transmission portion of the selected at least one image transmission portion of the prioritized graphics file;

B) translating the first image transmission portion ~~of the prioritized graphics file~~ into image data;

C) determining the location of the first image transmission portion ~~of the prioritized graphics file~~;

D) transferring the image data and the location to an image viewer such that the image viewer can display the first image transmission

portion ~~of the prioritized graphics file~~ at the location;

E) waiting a delay; and

F) repeating steps A through E in each additional iteration of one or more additional iterations of steps A through E, such that the first image portion is stepped to the next image portion of the prioritized graphics file in the first additional iteration and the next image portion of the prioritized graphics file is sequentially stepped in each subsequent additional iteration, until the entire prioritized graphics file has been transmitted and received.

36. (Canceled)

37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35 wherein the step of translating the image transmission portion of the prioritized graphics file into image data further comprises the step of decompressing the image transmission portion of the prioritized graphics file.

38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35 further comprising the following step that is performed on the transmitting computer:

iv) saving the prioritized graphics file in a prioritized graphics file format.

39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38 wherein the prioritized graphics file format comprises joint picture experts group format, graphics interchange format, or bitmap format.

40. (Canceled)

41. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the prioritized graphics file comprises a joint picture experts group file.

42. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the prioritized graphics file comprises a graphics interchange format file.

43. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the prioritized graphics file comprises a bitmap file.

44. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 14 wherein the prioritized graphics file comprises a joint picture experts group file.

45. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 14 wherein the prioritized graphics file comprises a graphics interchange format file.

46. (Previously presented) The program product of claim 14 wherein the prioritized graphics file comprises a bitmap file.

47-49. (Canceled)